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Welcome to UC!

We have designed a two-day orientation to the University of Cincinnati for you and your family. Making the transition to college life presents many questions for new students:

- Where do I go?
- What classes will I take?
- Whom do I contact for help?
- What is it like at UC?
- Will it be easy to meet new friends?

All of these questions and many more will be answered at your Bearcat Bound Orientation program. Please read this booklet completely. You will receive information and materials at Bearcat Bound Orientation to prepare you for your new and exciting life at the University of Cincinnati.

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Cincinnati, OH 45221-0090
Drop in to see us at: University Pavilion
Student Success Center
1st floor, Suite 120
What is Bearcat Bound Orientation?
All new freshman students are required to attend an orientation program before their first quarter of classes. Students will not be able to register for their classes until their orientation attendance requirement is met.

Bearcat Bound Orientation is a comprehensive two-day program for new, first-year students and their families that assists them in making the transition from high school to the University of Cincinnati. During Bearcat Bound Orientation, you will learn about UC policies, procedures, our semester conversion, and graduation requirements for your academic program. You will receive academic advising, and register for your first quarter of classes. To make your Bearcat Bound Orientation reservation, see page 10.

Getting Started
To get started, complete your My Bearcat Bound Card (BBC), below, by following the instructions in the right hand column. This will make all your personalized information easy to access. You will need it to access your placement test, the orientation registration system, OneStop class registration and many other systems. Take a few minutes now and follow the step-by-step instructions. If you choose not to record your passwords on your card, please be certain to commit them to memory.

Cut out your My Bearcat Bound Card and keep it in a safe but accessible place. Please bring it with you when you come to campus for Bearcat Bound Orientation as you will need this information to register for classes.

Getting Your Central Login Username and UCID Number
1. Go to www.onestop.uc.edu
2. Under “MY INFORMATION” click on “get my Username” and fill in the form. You will need the last four digits of your social security number.
3. Click on “Find My Username.” The next page will display your username and your UCID number.

Record this information on your My Bearcat Bound Card. Helpdesk contact information: 513-556-HELP (4357) or helpdesk@uc.edu

Your UC Blackboard Account
1. You will use the Central Login username and password (from above) to access your UC Blackboard account.
2. Go to http://blackboard.uc.edu enter your username and password from the previous step.
3. Please Note: Unless you have already accessed and changed this, the initial password will be Uc!mmddyyyy where “mmddyyyy” is your full date of birth.

Record any updated information on your My Bearcat Bound Card. Blackboard Support contact information: 513-556-1602.

Activating Your UConnect Email
1. Go to www.onestop.uc.edu
2. Under “OTHER RESOURCES” click on “UConnect email”
3. Fill in the form. You will need your username, password, and UCID number from the previous step.

Record this information on your My Bearcat Bound Card. Helpdesk contact information: 513-556-HELP (4357) or helpdesk@uc.edu

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UCIT Helpdesk: 513-556-HELP [4357] or helpdesk@uc.edu
Blackboard Support: 513-556-1602
Your Bearcat Bound Checklist

Please bring the following with you to orientation:

- **Photo I.D.** – Acceptable forms of a photo ID are driver’s license, state ID, military ID, or passport.
- **New School Supplies** – To donate to the Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive.
- **Health Insurance Policy Card** – If you are covered by an alternate policy, such as your parents’ policy, you may be eligible to waive the cost of the university insurance policy. In order to do this, you will need your insurance card or all the information on your insurance card.
- **License Plate Number, Year, Make, Model of Your Vehicle and a credit or debit card** – This information is required if you plan to have a car on campus and need to purchase a parking decal for fall quarter.
- **Social Security Number** – For financial aid paperwork.
- **AP, PSEOP, or IB Transcripts** – If you have earned credit from AP, PSEOP, or IB, bring copies of your score reports or transcripts to assist your academic advisor in placing you in the correct classes.
- **My Bearcat Bound Card** – From this booklet, page 2.
- **This booklet** - Inside are driving directions, parking information, campus maps, and other important information.
- **Pen, Pencil, and Notepaper** – These are your first two days as a college student, come prepared to learn.
- **Good Walking Shoes** – Bearcat Bound Orientation functions will be at various locations around campus. While all measures have been taken to keep walking to a minimum, it is a good idea to have comfortable shoes.
- **Comfortable Clothing** – Dress for Bearcat Bound Orientation will be summer casual (we suggest UC spirit wear!) You may want to bring a sweater as some meeting rooms may be cold. In addition, bring attire to swim, workout, and play in the Rec Center (entrance fees will be on us!).
- **Umbrella** – Just in case!

If staying overnight in Calhoun Residence Hall, please also bring:

- **Sleeping bag or linen, pillow, blanket, and towels** – Please bring a sleeping bag or bed sheets, pillow, blanket, and towels as needed for your one- or two-night stay in the hall (see Overnight Accommodations on page 11).
- **Personal Toiletries including shower shoes** – Calhoun Residence Hall has shared community bathrooms (see details in Overnight Accommodations).
- **Alarm Clock** – Day 2 of Bearcat Bound Orientation starts bright and early at 7:30 a.m.! Wake-up service will not be available. Please bring your alarm clock.

**Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive**

It will soon be “Back to School” for many elementary school boys and girls. For most children, the start of a new school year is an exciting time filled with great anticipation and hope. But for children whose families are unable to afford new school supplies, the start of school can cause feelings of embarrassment.

Team up with your **Student Orientation Leaders and help children in need**. Please bring some new school supplies when you come to your Bearcat Bound Orientation. You might pick these up while you are shopping for your own college supplies.

Requested items include:

- Crayons
- Pencils
- Pens
- Markers (waterbased)
- Erasers
- Glue (white, non-toxic)
- Notebooks
- Pencil box or case

**Your donation will reach a needy child in time for the start of the new school year and you can help boost their confidence.** The school supplies will be donated to a Cincinnati area elementary/middle school to help children in need. Be generous, participate in the Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive, and join us in serving the littlest among us!

**Note:** Monetary donations will be accepted in lieu of, or in addition to, your school supplies donations. All donations are welcome and greatly appreciated.
# Student Bearcat Bound Orientation Schedule

Be prepared to show a photo ID at the check-in desk in Tangeman University Center.

If you are planning to stay overnight in Calhoun Residence Hall, please leave your luggage in the trunk of your vehicle until the overnight stay check-in time. If you are arriving on the **day of** your orientation your check-in time is from 4:00–8:30 p.m. If you are arriving the **day before** your orientation, your check-in time is between 7:00–11:00 p.m. Check-in is located in the Calhoun Residence Hall, lobby level.

If you have been accepted into the College-Conservatory of Music (CCM), you have a different schedule. Please see the enclosed insert. If you did not receive an insert, please call 513-556-2486 or go to [www.uc.edu/orientation](http://www.uc.edu/orientation).

## What New Students Can Expect

During your Bearcat Bound Orientation, you will:
- Meet and interact with your Student Orientation Leader
- Meet and interact with other new students
- Find out what it’s like being a UC Bearcat
- Learn about your University of Cincinnati
- Receive academic advising and register for your first quarter of college classes

### Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive

Please bring some new school supplies to donate at the Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive. Bring your items to the orientation check-in desk to place in the donation box.

Get a good start by making a positive impact on your new home community! The school supplies will be donated to a Cincinnati area elementary/middle school to help children in need. Be generous in participating in the Bearcat Bound School Supplies Drive, and join us in serving the littlest among us!

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<td>Welcome</td>
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<td>Small Group</td>
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<td>College Program I</td>
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<td>12:00–1:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Lunch at your College (will be provided)</td>
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<td>1:00–3:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Taking Care of Business (see page 7)</td>
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<td>Spotlight</td>
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<td>UC Bookstores Open House</td>
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<td>Breakfast on your own — Enjoy the options on campus</td>
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<td>8:00–9:30 a.m.</td>
<td>Just Community</td>
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<td>9:45–10:45 a.m.</td>
<td>Library and UCit</td>
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<td>SOLs Panel</td>
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<td>Residence Hall Tour</td>
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NOTE: This is a sample schedule and is subject to change. For the final program, please refer to the schedule in the Bearcat Bound materials you will receive at your orientation check-in. **You must check-in before attending any session in order to be able to register for classes.**
Parents Orientation Schedule

The Parent Bearcat Bound Orientation is not mandatory. However, parents are encouraged to attend. There will not be a separate siblings program. Siblings will accompany parents.

NOTE: College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) students and parents have a different schedule. Please see the enclosed insert. If you did not receive an insert, please call 513-556-2486 or go to www.uc.edu/orientation.

What New Bearcat Parents Can Expect
During Bearcat Bound Orientation, parents will learn about:
- The developmental nature of the transition to college
- UC’s academic and social programs
- The numerous support services available to students
- How to stay actively involved in your student’s learning process
- Financial aid, housing, safety, and other programs and services
- How to join the UC Parents Association

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<td>Campus Services</td>
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<td>College Program</td>
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<td>12:15-1:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Lunch at Center Court (will be provided)</td>
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<td>1:15-2:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Residence Life, Commuter Life, and Living at University Park Apartments</td>
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<td>University Health Services and Student Health Insurance</td>
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<td>Family Matters and the UC Parents Association</td>
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Orientation Highlights

Small Group Sessions
These sessions allow you to meet other new students and to find out what it’s really like at the University of Cincinnati. You will be with a group of other new freshmen throughout the day-and-a-half orientation program. Informal discussions will be led by your Student Orientation Leader (SOL). Our SOLs are returning students who have been carefully selected and trained to help guide you through this transitional process.

Introduction to Your College
You and your parents will visit with your college dean or advisor regarding requirements for your major and an overview of your home college. Parents will then go to a different session and you will remain to visit with college staff or academic advisors. You will discuss what specific classes to take your first quarter, and you will then register online for those classes. When you leave this session, you will have a schedule of your fall quarter classes in hand.

Parents Orientation
We have designed a special orientation for parents that will explore the many changes parents face when their students go to college. There will also be several important general information sessions in areas such as safety, health issues, financing college, and residence hall living. Parents will meet with advisors from the colleges to discuss course and academic major concerns and graduation requirements. There will be an introduction to the UC Parents Association. All programs will be informal with plenty of opportunities to ask questions and meet other parents.

Quick Response (QR) Code
QR codes are used to take information from one type of media and put it into your smart phone. The following QR code is created for your convenience. It is encoded with our contact information, (phone, website address, location) as well as directions to UC and the check-in location for Bearcat Bound Orientation. Download a QR Code or Barcode reader from the application store/market of your smart phone (most are free of charge) and take a picture of or scan the code with your smart phone. Use it to easily access our website, send us an email or pull up a google map of our location.
Taking Care of Business

Do it and be done! You’ll be busy in September, so do as much as possible during orientation and be done!

Taking Care of Business will take place on Day 1 in the Tangeman University Center Study Lounge, Level 3, beginning at 2:30 p.m.

You will be able to take care of:
- Signing up to receive your custom textbook list from the UC Bookstores
- Depositing funds to your Bearcat Card
- Waiving University Health Insurance (if applicable)
- Applying for Housing and a Residential Meal Plan
- Purchasing an Independent Meal Plan
- Purchasing your Student Parking Pass
- Opening a PNC Bank account, and linking it to your Bearcat Card/UC ID

Bearcat Card is the debit feature of the UC ID. Use it both on and off campus. Deposit funds online to your Bearcat Card at www.uc.edu/bearcatcard, and you can manage your account online. The dollars on your account will roll-over from quarter to quarter or you can get a refund of the balance at the end of the school year. Power up your Bearcat Card with PNC Bank, the exclusive banking partner of UC’s Bearcat Card program. PNC makes banking easy for students with 9 main campus ATMs and a branch in Tangeman University Center. PNC’s Virtual Wallet® Student provides interactive online tools that make it easy to keep track of your money, so you—and your family—have one less thing to worry about as you begin your college journey. Enter our Taking Care of Business drawings: Deposit at least $300 by or before Aug. 20, and be entered to win one of 5 prizes. Drawing held Aug. 25, 2011.

Health Insurance: All students registered for 6 or more credit hours or on Co-op must have health insurance to attend UC. If you have your own insurance, you can waive UC’s insurance. If you do not have insurance, you do not need to do anything, and UC will bill you for Student Health Insurance.

Custom Textbook List allows you to order your books online from the UC Bookstores. Sign up to receive your custom textbook list via email in the form of a shopping cart. Decide whether you want to purchase what is in the cart, and whether you want used or new books. You can pay for them with your Bearcat Card or Credit card. Pick them up or have them shipped.

Housing and Residential Meal Plans have generally been selected by this time, but if you still need to apply for housing, you can do it at Taking Care of Business. You can select a residential meal plan or change the plan you have already selected.

Independent Meal Plans are convenient, and perfect for commuting students. They can be purchased at Taking Care of Business or online at www.uc.edu/food.

Student Parking Passes can be purchased at Taking Care of Business, but remember to bring your license plate number with you. Parking passes are sold on a first come, first-served basis. The passes will be mailed to your home before classes start.

We have packaged these programs in one place because Taking Care of Business is one of the most important activities you will engage in as you prepare for your new life at the University of Cincinnati. Take care of all the business you can while you’re here. Do It and Be Done!

UC Bookstore’s Open House
Beginning at 2:30 p.m., Day 1
Free snacks!
You can purchase hardware and software at educational discounts. Microsoft-licensed software, for either PC or MAC, will be available for purchase for $13 or less. Make sure you have your new UC ID in order to take advantage of this great offer. Register to win $500 worth of textbooks.
Math Placement Testing

It is important that you complete your math placement test before your Bearcat Bound Orientation dates. If you do not complete the test you will not be permitted to register for the appropriate classes. You are strongly encouraged to take your placement test early in the spring to avoid conflicts with high school graduation, prom and other engagements.

College Placement Test Requirements
If you have been accepted into any of the colleges listed below you are required to take the math placement test.
- McMicken College of Arts and Sciences (A&S–15)
- College of Education, Criminal Justice, and Human Services (CECH–18)
- College of Allied Health Sciences (CAHS–35)
- College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS–20)
- College of Business (COB–22)
- College of Nursing (Nursing–29)
- College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning (DAAP–23)
- College-Conservatory of Music (CCM-16)

If you have been admitted into the following programs, in DAAP you are required to take the math placement test:
- Graphic Design (Graphic Communication Design)
- Industrial Design
- Fashion Design
- Art History (including Visual Arts Teachers Licensure)
- Fine Arts (including Visual Arts Teachers Licensure)

If you have been accepted into the DAAP programs in Architecture, Interior Design, Urban Planning, or Urban Studies, you are not required to take the math placement test.

Disability Services for Testing
If you require extra time, an individual room, or other disability-related testing accommodations, you may request special arrangements or accommodations through the Academic Excellence and Support Services Office. Requests for sign language interpreters should be made at least 10 days in advance. These services are available at no additional charge. For details, please contact our Academic Excellence and Support Services Office (Disability Services for Testing) at 513-556-2486. Check-in is from 8:30-9:00 a.m. on the 3rd floor of University Pavilion. The math placement test takes approximately 50 minutes to complete.

Advanced Placement (AP), Post-Secondary Enrollment Options Program (PSEOP) and International Baccalaureate (IB)
AP, PSEOP and IB credits will be evaluated. It is ideal to have all your final transcripts and credit documents submitted to UC ahead of time so that they can be properly evaluated and applied by the time you arrive for orientation. If you have them available, please bring copies of your transcripts to give to your advisor at Bearcat Bound Orientation.

1. The first letter of your last name determines the dates of your math placement test. Refer to the enclosed insert to see the dates of your math placement test.
2. If you miss your session due to extenuating circumstances, you will need to wait until the “Missed Test Session” in order to take the test. Please keep in mind that it is not ideal to miss your session.
3. To begin the math placement test, you will need to have obtained the information on the “My Bearcat Bound Card” located on page 2 in this booklet.
4. Go to http://blackboard.uc.edu and click the “My UC” tab at the top of the screen to log into Blackboard. Enter your Username and Password, and click the “Login” button.
5. On the right side under “My Organizations” you will see “Math Placement;” click on it. You will see the organizational menu on the left. Click on the “Placement Test” link to take the test.
6. Remember that this placement test is timed and you will be allowed 50 minutes to complete it. Do not use a calculator of any kind on this placement test. You may use scratch paper and pencil or pen to work out your answers.

Taking the Math Placement Test
Take this test online from anywhere with internet access. Calculators are not permitted on this test. The placement test is timed for 50 minutes and is entirely multiple-choice questions with only one correct answer. The test will adapt to match your level of proficiency with each question you answer. The questions are from the areas of pre-algebra, algebra, and pre-calculus. Your math placement test results will be compared to your ACT or SAT math score; should there be a significant discrepancy, you may be retested under proctored conditions. All of these scores will become part of your permanent academic file. Please remember, placement tests are used to place you in the correct beginning course. You will not be successful if you are placed in a course for which you are not academically ready.

To practice on sample math placement tests, go to http://math.uc.edu/course/placement/questions.html
Parking Instructions for Bearcat Bound Orientation

The following garages are available for orientation parking: Clifton Court Garage, Woodside Garage, Campus Green Garage, University Avenue Garage, Corry Garage, and Calhoun Garage. Please refer to the campus map on page 13 for locations and directions to these garages.

Obtain a ticket (marked “1”) from the machine at the entrance of the garage. Place the ticket with date and time stamp facing up, on the front driver’s side of your vehicle’s dashboard so that it is visible to parking enforcement personnel. At orientation check-in, you will receive a voucher ticket (yellow on one side and marked “2”) which will allow you to exit at no charge. Ask for the number “2” voucher prior to leaving if you did not receive one.

To exit the garage, first insert the ticket you received from the machine (marked “1”), wait for the amount to show; then insert the voucher ticket (yellow, marked “2”) that you received from orientation.

Parking for Guests Staying Overnight in Calhoun Hall

Only students and parents staying overnight in Calhoun Residence Hall will be permitted to park in CCM Garage. Overnight guests should obtain a ticket from the machine at the entrance of CCM Garage. Place the ticket with date and time stamp facing up, on the front driver’s side of your vehicle’s dashboard so that it is visible to parking enforcement personnel. At orientation check-in, you will receive a CCM Garage voucher ticket (yellow on one side and marked “2”) which will allow you to exit at no charge. You may also park in Calhoun Garage or any of the other garages indicated on the campus map on page 13.

Entrances to the Garages (refer to map on page 13)

- You may enter Campus Green and Woodside Garages by driving from Jefferson Avenue or Clifton Avenue to Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.
- You may enter the Clifton Court Garage via Clifton Avenue to Clifton Court.
- You may enter Calhoun Garage, CCM Garage, and Corry Garage by driving from Jefferson Avenue to Corry Boulevard.
- You may enter the University Avenue Garage via Jefferson Avenue to West University Avenue.

Academic Integrity

As new students to the University of Cincinnati, you are responsible for upholding the highest standards of honesty at all times, as well as adhering to the principles and spirit of the Academic Integrity Campaign. We ask that you acknowledge and honor your responsibilities while completing all placement tests, regardless of the location.

www.uc.edu/conduct/Academic_Integrity.html
Orientation Reservation, Fees and Check-In

It is important that you make your Bearcat Bound Orientation reservations early. Some sessions fill quickly and reservations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. If you delay, you may not get your first choice of dates.

Online Reservation
1. Go to www.uc.edu/orientation and click on the “Register Online” link to take you to the page that has your unique information.

2. At the top of the page, click on the “Orientation Registration” tab. Select a set of dates from the list; some majors may only have one set.

3. Complete the online form as needed entering payment information. You may pay for orientation by check (electronically), credit card or debit card. You will not be able to register unless you complete the payment section.

Bearcat Bound Orientation Fees
- Students $85
- Parents/Adult Guests $45 per parent/guest
- Siblings under 12 years old $25
- Overnight Accommodations $35 per night per person

Check-In
The Bearcat Bound Orientation check-in desk is located on Level 4 in Tangeman University Center (TUC), which is located near University Pavilion where you may have attended a campus tour. The check-in desk will be open from 7:30 – 8:15 a.m. At the check-in desk, students will be asked to show a photo ID. Acceptable forms of a photo ID are driver’s license, state ID, military ID, or passport.

Special Needs
If you or a family member has a disability that requires accommodations, please contact us at 513-556-2486 at least 10 business days prior to your scheduled orientation date.

Policies & Procedures

Reservation Changes
You may make changes to your reservation online. Changes may be made without a late-change fee up to 48 hours in advance of your originally scheduled date. Changes made after that may incur a late-change fee. In addition, please note, that requested changes may not be accommodated because reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Dates fill very quickly, and all arrangements are made in advance on the basis of reservations received.

Late Payments
All fees are due prior to your orientation date. Students will not be permitted to attend orientation without paying their orientation fees. A late fee will be assessed on all unpaid balances and a service block may be placed against the student’s account. A service block will prevent access to grades, transcripts and other services.

Cancellations and Refund Requests
If you cannot attend Bearcat Bound Orientation, you must send a written request postmarked at least two days prior to your scheduled orientation date, or fax a request to 513-556-3728 at least 48 hours in advance of your scheduled orientation dates. A refund check will be issued in approximately 3-5 weeks. There will be a $15 handling fee for all requests that are granted. We regret that refund requests made less than 48 hours from scheduled dates will not be granted, as resources will have been reserved and expended on behalf of the attendees.
Overnight Accommodations

If you need overnight accommodations, you have two options: you may stay at Calhoun Residence Hall or you may stay in a local hotel. Students are not required to stay overnight in Calhoun Hall. Parents have the option of staying in the residence hall as well, but parents will not be roomed with their freshman son or daughter. Also, please be advised that Calhoun Hall has gender-focused floors with common bathrooms and showers, not private in-room bathrooms. If parents prefer to room together, please understand that one parent will have to travel to the appropriate gender floor for bathroom service. The cost of staying in Calhoun Residence Hall is $35 per night, per person. Space is limited, and reservations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to accommodate all incoming students, parents and students are limited to a maximum of a two-night stay in Calhoun Hall.

To reserve a room in Calhoun Hall, complete the online reservation form at www.uc.edu/orientation.

Calhoun Residence Hall

Calhoun Residence Hall, because of its location on campus, is a convenient place to stay overnight. Linen service is not provided, so please bring bed sheets or a sleeping bag, a pillow, blanket and towels as needed for a maximum of a two-night stay. Check-in is in the Calhoun Residence Hall lobby level. You may unload your overnight luggage curb-side in front of Calhoun Hall (take Calhoun Street to Calhoun Residence Hall), or it may be easier for you to park in CCM Garage or Calhoun Garage and carry your overnight luggage the short distance to Calhoun Hall (see campus map on page 13). Calhoun Hall does not have storage space or concierge service. Please leave your luggage in the trunk of your vehicle until check-in time. If you are arriving on the day of your orientation your check-in time is from 4:00-8:30 p.m. If you are arriving the day before your orientation your check-in time is from 7:00–11:00 p.m. You may check-in, pick up your room key and then unload your luggage.

Check-out, on Day 2, is from 7:00–7:30 a.m. The morning session on Day 2 begins at 8:00 a.m. Please allow enough time if you wish to eat breakfast. Breakfast is on your own, but keep in mind the many options available on and around campus.

May students and parents be roomed together for overnight stay in the residence hall?

Students of the same gender will be roomed with other new students randomly. Parents and guests will be housed with preferred family members or guests or (if not stated otherwise on the form) with other parents of the same gender. Please indicate preference on the form.

May I request single occupancy during my overnight stay in the residence hall?

Due to space constraints, we regret we cannot honor requests for single occupancy rooms. Students, parents and guests who stay overnight in the residence hall will have a roommate.

What other options are there for overnight accommodations?

Students and their parents who wish to stay in a hotel will find many lodging options. We are happy to recommend the following hotel on UC’s East campus:

Kingsgate Marriott Conference Hotel at University of Cincinnati (on East Campus)
1-888-720-1299 or 513-487-3800.

Please call for reservations as soon as possible. Ask if the UC Bearcat Bound Orientation rate of $129 is available for the date of your stay.

If you have any questions after reviewing this booklet, please contact us.

E-mail us at: orientation@uc.edu
Check our website: www.uc.edu/orientation
Call us at: 513-556-2486
Fax us at: 513-556-3728
Send us a note at: Orientation Office University of Cincinnati PO Box 210090 Cincinnati, OH 45221-0090
Drop in to see us: University Pavilion Student Success Center 1st floor, Suite 120
From the North or South via I-75
From I-75, take the Hopple Street Exit (Exit 3). Turn left off the exit onto Hopple Street. As you cross the first intersection (Central Parkway), Hopple Street becomes Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Follow Martin Luther King Jr. Drive until you reach the fourth stoplight. Turn right to enter campus via Woodside Drive. You are welcome to park in either Woodside Garage (to your right) or Campus Green Garage (to your left). You may also park in any of the other parking garages.

From the West via I-74
Take I-74 East to I-75 South. Take the Hopple Street exit (Exit 3). Turn left off the exit onto Hopple Street. As you cross the first intersection (Central Parkway), Hopple Street becomes Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Follow Martin Luther King Jr. Drive until you reach the fourth stoplight. Turn right to enter campus via Woodside Drive. You are welcome to park in either Woodside Garage (to your right) or Campus Green Garage (to your left). You may also park in any of the other parking garages.

From the Northeast via I-71
From I-71 South, take the Taft Road exit (Exit 3). The exit places you on Taft Road, a one-way street heading west. At the intersection of Taft Road and Jefferson Avenue, follow the right turn lane onto Jefferson Avenue. At the first light, turn left onto Corry Boulevard. You may park in Corry Garage by turning left at the first stop sign or in Calhoun Garage further down the street. If you are staying overnight in Calhoun Hall, you may park in the College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) Garage by continuing to its entrance at the end of Corry Boulevard. You may also park in any of the other parking garages.

From the South via I-71
Take I-71 North until it merges with I-75 just south of Florence, Kentucky. Stay on I-75 after you cross the Ohio River. From the left lane on I-75, take the Hopple Street exit (Exit 3). Turn left off the exit onto Hopple Street. As you cross the first intersection (Central Parkway), Hopple Street becomes Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Follow Martin Luther King Jr. Drive until you reach the fourth stoplight. Turn right to enter campus via Woodside Drive. You are welcome to park in either Woodside Garage (to your right) or Campus Green Garage (to your left). You may also park in any of the other parking garages.

Only overnight guests staying in Calhoun Hall will be permitted to park in the CCM Garage. If you are staying overnight in Calhoun Hall, obtain a ticket from the machine at the entrance of the garage. When you check in for orientation, you will receive CCM Garage passes which will allow you to exit at no charge. You may also park in any other UC parking garages.
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